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SUBJ: MSAC: APPOINTMENTS FOR WILLIAM A. STRAUSS

1. MR. WILLIAM A. STRAUSS, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF HEW FOR PLANNING AND EVALUATION, WILL ATTEND 35TH SESSION OF OECD MANPOWER AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AS MEMBER OF USDEL. BECAUSE STRAUSS IS NEW TO WORK OF COMMITTEE, AND OECD GENERALLY, AND BECAUSE HE WISHES TO EXPLORE THE POTENTIAL FOR FURTHER HEW INVOLVEMENT IN THE COMMITTEE'S WORK, WE WOULD APPRECIATE MISSION ARRANGING SUITABLE APPOINTMENTS WITH SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS DURING COURSE OF MEETINGS FOR STRAUSS TO BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH OECD OFFICIALS KNOWLEDGEABLE IN FOLLOWING AREAS. EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE WITH SIMILAR APPOINTMENTS WITH GOF OFFICIALS ALSO GREATLY APPRECIATED.

2. STRAUSS IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN SOCIAL ASPECTS OF INCOME TRANSFER POLICIES, INCLUDING THE IMPLICATIONS OF THESE POLICIES ON GOVERNMENT SOCIAL SERVICE STRATEGIES. HE IS ALSO CONCERNED WITH THE QUESTION OF EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT, GENERALLY AND WITH EMPHASIS ON CONTINUING CAREER EDUCATION FOR ALL AGE GROUPS.
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3. STRAUSS WOULD ALSO WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS WITH KNOWLEDGEABLE OFFICIALS THE SUBJECT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

UTILIZATION BY POLICY MAKERS, ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO THE PRODUCTION OF HARD DATA FOR POLICY ANALYSIS. DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING USE AND POTENTIAL MISUSE OF SOCIAL INDICATORS ALSO DESIRABLE, PARTICULARLY AS RELATED TO HEALTH AREA.

4. STRAUSS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR APPOINTMENTS BEGINNING 10:30 AM NOVEMBER 19. STRAUSS IS AGREEABLE TO APPOINTMENTS DURING MSAC MEETING, BUT PREFERS THAT SUCH APPOINTMENTS BE CONFINED TO NOVEMBER 20-21. HE WISHES NOVEMBER 23 BE LEFT FREE FOR APPOINTMENTS HE PLANS ARRANGE AFTER ARRIVAL.PLEASE LEAVE SCHEDULE FOR HIM AT HIS HOTEL.

5. STRAUSS MET WITH OECD DEPUTY DIRECTOR GASS DURING LATTER'S STOP IN WASHINGTON NOVEMBER 12. CASEY

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